

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action mailed September 26, 2007 has been received and the Examiner's comments carefully reviewed. Claims 1-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Claims 1-26 have been amended. No new matter has been added. The Applicants respectfully submit the following for consideration.

Restriction Requirement

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

I. Claims 1-24, drawn to "generating a personal site having an address wherein the personal site has an associated first view and an associated second view", classified in class 709, subclass 217.

II. Claims 25 and 25, drawn to "running a security check to authenticate the setting of the personal site and updating directory system", classified in class 726, subclass 17.

Applicants confirm the election to prosecute the invention taught by Group I. The aforementioned election is made without traversal.

Objection to Title

The Applicants have amended the title.

Drawing Objections

In response to the drawing objection, the Applicants have submitted replacement drawings.

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being incomplete for omitting essential steps/elements/structural cooperative relationships of elements, such omission amounting to a gap between the steps/elements/necessary structural connections. In response the Applicants have amended the claims to address the rejections. The Applicants respectfully request the rejection be withdrawn.

With regard to claim 1, the Office Action recites that Gilmour teaches “providing a personal site (e.g., page 2), comprising: generating a personal site having an address (e.g., page 2), wherein the personal site has an associated first view and an associated second view (e.g., page 2); and navigating a user to the personal site (e.g., page 3), wherein the user is navigated to the address and presented with the first view depending on the identity of the user (e.g., page 3).” In response, the claims have been amended in order to clarify the invention.

As amended, Claim 1 recites “generating a web site that is associated with a particular user; wherein the web site is accessed using an address that is identified by a single Uniform Resource Locator (URL), wherein the web site includes at least two homepages that are accessed from the address that is identified by the single URL; wherein a first home page is a first web page that is viewable by the particular user and a second home page that is a second web page

that is viewable by others and contains information about the particular user; wherein the web site stores information relating to the particular user and accesses information including targeted information, documents and links from different sources; wherein the first home page and the second home page are customizable by the particular user; determining an identity of a user attempting to access the web site; wherein determining the identity of the user includes determining when the user is the particular user; and automatically redirecting the user to the first home page when the identity of the user is determined to be the particular user and redirecting the user to the second home page when the identity of the user is not determined to be the particular user.” In contrast, Gilmour is directed at automatically creating profiles of a user.

Paragraph 23 of Gilmour recites in part that “FIG. 1 is a block diagram illustrating an exemplary embodiment of a profiling system 10 that receives electronic documents, extracts terms therefrom that are potentially indicative of a profile of a user, and distributes a user profile constructed from the extracted profile terms.” A profile, however, is not a web site and the profile is not a home page. Paragraphs 25 and 26 recite in part that the “Terms may furthermore be stored in either a private or public portion of the user profile, depending upon the confidence level values thereof. Alternatively, the contents of a user's profile may be periodically reviewed or enhanced by the user ("owner") to organize the public and private portions according to user preferences. [0026] User control over the content of the private and public portions of the user's profile enhance the privacy of the system, protecting electronic documents from unwanted intrusion by others, including searchers. Unrestricted access to the public portion of the user profile may be provided to other users, for instance those in a particular organization. The private portion of a user profile may, on the other hand, have a restricted access and may

require specific authorization by the owner for the provision of information concerning the user profile, and the owner, in response to a specific request.” While Gilmour teaches allowing a user some control over their profile, this is not the same as determining what home page of a website a user should be directed to based on their identity. Among other differences, the web site specified in claim 1 includes much more information than what is contained in a profile, including accessing information including targeted information, documents and links from different sources.” As amended, it is clear that Claim 1 is clearly distinguishable from the cited reference. Since Gilmour does not teach the web site as specified in the claim and directing a user to a certain home page of a web site based on their identity with relation to the web site, Claim 1 is proposed to be allowable. Claims depending from Claim 1 are proposed to be allowable as they depend from a valid base claim.

As amended Claim 11 recites in part “generating a web site that is associated with a particular user; wherein the web site is accessed using an address that is identified by a single Uniform Resource Locator (URL), wherein the web site includes at least two homepages that are accessed from the address that is identified by the single URL; wherein a first home page is a first web page that is viewable by the particular user and a second home page that is a second web page that is viewable by others and contains information about the particular user; wherein the web site stores information relating to the particular user and accesses information including targeted information, documents and links from different sources; wherein the first home page and the second home page are customizable by the particular user; determining an identity of a user attempting to access the web site; wherein determining the identity of the user includes determining when the user is the particular user; and automatically redirecting the user to the

first home page when the identity of the user is determined to be the particular user and redirecting the user to the second home page when the identity of the user is not determined to be the particular user.” Claim 11 is proposed to be allowable for at least the reasons presented above. Claims depending from Claim 11 are proposed to be allowable as they depend from a valid base claim.

Claim 19 as amended recites in part “determining whether a user has permission to generate the web site; wherein the web site is accessed using an address that is identified by a single Uniform Resource Locator (URL), wherein the web site includes at least two homepages that are accessed from the address that is identified by the single URL; wherein a first home page is a first web page that is viewable by an owner of the web site and a second home page that is a second web page that is viewable by others and contains information about the owner; wherein the web site stores information relating to the owner and accesses information including targeted information, documents and links from different sources; wherein the first home page and the second home page are customizable by the owner.” Claim 19 is proposed to be allowable for at least the reasons presented above. Claims depending from Claim 19 are proposed to be allowable as they depend from a valid base claim.

Claim 22 as amended recites in part “determining a user identity associated with a user navigating to the web site; wherein the web site is accessed using an address that is identified by a single Uniform Resource Locator (URL), wherein the web site includes at least two homepages that are accessed from the address that is identified by the single URL; wherein a first home page is a first web page that is viewable by an owner of the web site and a second home page that is a

second web page that is viewable by others and contains information about the owner; wherein the web site stores information relating to the owner and accesses information including targeted information, documents and links from different sources; wherein the first home page and the second home page are customizable by the owner.” Claim 22 is proposed to be allowable for at least the reasons presented above. Claims depending from Claim 22 are proposed to be allowable as they depend from a valid base claim.

Claim 25 as amended recites “generating a web site that includes at least three different home pages that are accessed through a single Uniform Resource Locator (URL) depending on an identity of a user accessing the web site; wherein a first home page is a first web page that is viewable by the owner; a second home page that is a second web page that is viewable by a first group and contains information about the owner and the first group; and a third home page that is a third web page that is viewable by a second group and contains information about the owner and the second group; wherein the web site stores information relating to the owner, the first group, the second group; documents generated by the owner; and wherein the first web page includes access to information including targeted information, documents and links from different sources; determining an identity of the user accessing the web site; and automatically redirecting the user to the first home page when the identity of the user is determined to be the owner; redirecting the user to the second home page when the identity of the user is determined to be the first group; and redirecting the user to the third home page when the identity of the user is determined to be the second group.” In addition to the arguments presented above, Claim 25 includes the limitation that the web site includes at least three different home pages that are automatically accessed depending on the identity of the user accessing the web site. For at least

this reason and the reasons presented above Claim 25 is proposed to be allowable. Claims depending from Claim 25 are proposed to be allowable as they depend from a valid base claim.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, all pending claims are believed to be allowable and the application is in condition for allowance. Therefore, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any further issues regarding this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney for the applicant at the telephone number provided below.

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